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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--February 1983

I. GENERAL

Cyprus witnessed its first contested presidential election on the 13th with incumbent President Spiros Kiprianou trouncing his opponents, conservative and pro-West Glavcos Kliridhis and socialist party candidate Vasos Lissaridhis. Although President Kiprianou's Democratic Party commands only about 19 percent of the electorate, its alliance with the local communist party, AKEL, enabled the president to win an easy victory. The communists, according to the president, have not been promised any ministerial posts for their support. However, remarks since the election by AKEL leader Papaioannou indicate that wider participation by "leftists" in semi-governmental institutions such as CYTA, the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation, and the Cyprus Electric Authority is being sought. According to Papaioannou, these organizations have long been dominated by conservative elements unfriendly to leftists.

Other noteworthy events in the bureau's coverage included Soviet Premier Tikhonov's visit to Greece, the Libyan crisis, Egyptian President Mubarak's visit to Sudan for talks with President Numayri and the continuing negotiations between Lebanon and Israel. The bureau stayed open throughout the nights of the 13th to cover the Cypriot presidential election and the 17th to cover Cairo radio amidst reports that Libya was massing troops on the Sudanese border.

On the 4th a coffee was held at the bureau in honor of [redacted] [redacted] was awarded a Certificate of Achievement and a \$400 bonus for his superior efforts this past summer while the bureau was without an engineer and the electronics specialist was on extended sick leave. Through his diligence, [redacted] singlehandedly maintained all the bureau's equipment in fine operating order. On the occasion a gift was also presented to [redacted]

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Despite the adage that lightening doesn't strike twice in the same place, [redacted] house was again broken into this month. This time the felons made off with about \$100 in Cyprus pounds. Police are investigating.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. In January the bureau began experiencing problems in the late evening receiving Cairo MENA Service in Arabic and English, requiring us frequently to pass the coverage to Jordan and London bureaus.

On the 3d, we further formalized backstop procedures, whereby both bureaus begin printing MENA at 1800 GMT. In an attempt to improve reception, we have installed an audio cable in the Arabic section to allow use of Kili and Pissouri remote antennas to receive MENA. While reception via the remote sites is not appreciably better than from our rooftop, we hope to use the printout from both antennas to patch items together and thus avoid relinquishing coverage where possible.

2. On the 3d, Gulf Bureau assumed coverage of the 1805 GMT cast of the clandestine Voice of Iran. We plan to take this coverage back in the spring when reception should improve. Meanwhile, we are backstop recording the cast.

3. At the request of the Wire, the bureau on the 17th maintained an open-speaker watch on Cairo Domestic Service because of the Libyan situation. An Arabic monitor remained on duty throughout the night with an editor and teletypist on call.

4. Because of the continued unmonitorability of the late-night casts of Marj 'Uyun Lebanon Voice of Hope, the bureau has dropped coverage of the 1800-1810 and 1900-1910 GMT casts until reception improves.

5. The bureau has dropped coverage of the Greek-language newspapers ATHENS AVRIANI and NICOSIA O KIRIKAS, ALITHIA and I DHIMOKRATIKI because they proved unproductive.

B. Technical

1. On the 23d we experienced a temporary loss of the Embassy microwave link, from interference from the [] transmitter. The Embassy has now agreed to notify the bureau when it is testing this equipment so that we can switch over to our landline. STAT

2. Electronics specialist [] visited our remote antenna site at Kili early in the month to replace a defective switch. STAT

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Perisan monitor [] has started taking refresher training in Armenian. STAT

B. Visits

1. Engineer [] TDY'ed at London Bureau 7-11 February to familiarize himself with [] operation. STAT
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2. Deputy Chief [] TDY'ed at Jordan Bureau on the 18th. STAT

3. Deputy Chief [] and Arabic chief monitor [] STAT
departed for Cairo on the 27th on a recruiting TDY. They will be
there through the 4th of March.

4. Regional cruiser [] departed for Vienna Bureau STAT
on the 28th to conduct a survey.

5. Engineer [] departed on the 28th for a 4-day TDY STAT
at Jordan Bureau.

6. Edric Sherman, the new director of the State Department's
Cyprus Desk, to the bureau on the 24th.

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Chief, FBIS Nicosia Bureau

Attachments:

- A. Production Report
- B. Engineering Report

NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1983

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	464,200
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	119,400
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	64,100)
(FYI'S, ADMINS, SVC., CRUISING, ETC.	54,300)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,256

BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:

(MINUTE OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,060 MIN	22,050 MIN	287 ISSUES
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA
BEIJING IN
PERSIAN TO IRAN AND AFGHANISTAN 1,700

CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ARAB LEBANON IN
ARABIC 13,000
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN
ARABIC 15,600

CYPRUS	
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ENGLISH	0
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
GREEK	10,600
NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
GREEK	4,200
NICOSIA ALITHIA IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA APOGEUMATINI IN	
GREEK	200
NICOSIA BIRLIK IN	
TURKISH	400
NICOSIA BOZKURT IN	
TURKISH I	0
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN	
ENGLISH	800
NICOSIA HALKIN SESI IN	
TURKISH	0
NICOSIA I DIMOKRATIKI IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA I ELEVUTHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	3,600
NICOSIA IKONES IN	
GREEK	600
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN	
GREEK	300
NICOSIA I SIMERINI TIS DHEUTERAS IN	
GREEK	500
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN	
GREEK	4,900
NICOSIA KHARAVYI TIS DHEUTERAS IN	
GREEK	300
NICOSIA KIBRIS IN	
ENGLISH	0
NICOSIA O AGON IN	
GREEK	2,100
NICOSIA O KIRIKS IN	
GREEK	1,000
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA O ANEXARTITOS IN	
GREEK	300
NICOSIA O FILELEVUTHEROS IN	
GREEK	300
NICOSIA O FILELEVUTHEROS TIS DHEUTERAS IN	
GREEK	0

NICOSIA POSTASI IN		
TURKISH		100
NICOSIA ORTAM IN		
TURKISH		500
NICOSIA YEN DUZEN IN		
TURKISH		1,000
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN		
ENGLISH		6,200
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN		
GREEK		0
NICOSIA TA NEA IN		
GREEK		800
NICOSIA TO VIMA IN		
GREEK		0

(EDITORIAL REPORT IN		
GREEK)	400	1,800
(EDITORIAL REPORT IN		
TURKISH)		800

EGYPT		
CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	29,100	
CAIRO PALESTINE RADIO IN		
ARABIC	2,800	
CAIRO DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	700	
CAIRO MENA IN		
ARABIC		67,500
CAIRO MENA IN		
ENGLISH		11,800

FRANCE		
PARIS AFP IN		
ENGLISH		59,600

GREECE	
ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
GREEK	31,100
ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN	
GREEK	2,900
ATHENS AVRANI IN	
GREEK	900
ATHENS ELEVETHEROS KOSMOS IN	
GREEK	0
ATHENS ELEVETHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	3,200
ATHENS EXORMISI IN	
GREEK	300
ATHENS I AVYI IN	
GREEK	1,300
ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN	
GREEK	2,400
ATHENS KIRIAKATIKI ELEVETHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	0
ATHENS MESIMURINI IN	
GREEK	4,100
ATHENS NEA PORIA IN	
GREEK	0
ATHENS ATHENS NEWS IN	
ENGLISH	2,500
ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN	
GREEK	5,100
ATHENS TO VIMA TIS KIRIAKIS IN	
GREEK	0

IRAQ	
BAGHDAD IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	800

LEBANON	
BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	80,200
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	26,900
INDIN RADIO OF FREE & UNIFIED	
LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	3,200

MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ARABIC	3,200
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ENGLISH	300
BEIRUT AL-BAYRAH IN	
ARABIC	200
BEIRUT AN-NAHAR IN	
ARABIC	0
BEIRUT AS-SAFIR IN	
ARABIC	300
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN	
ENGLISH	23,400

LIBYA	
TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	6,400

TURKEY	
ANKARA YANKI IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL BULVAR IN	
TURKISH	100
ISTANBUL CUMHURİYET IN	
TURKISH	200
ISTANBUL DUNYA IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN	
TURKISH	500
ISTANBUL GUNES IN	
TURKISH	300
ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN	
TURKISH	1,900
ISTANBUL MILLİYET IN	
TURKISH	2,500
ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN	
TURKISH	1,300

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

MOSCOW IN

GREEK TO CYPRUS

4.000

MOSCOW IN

PERSIAN TO IRAN

10.700

UNITED KINGDOM

WESTGATE-ON-SEA ENGLAND E'IAN IN

PERSIAN

500

Attachment B--Engineering Report--Nicosia Bureau Monthly Report--February 1983

Equipment Received: One each Sony video cassette recorder, model V0-2630 HQS